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DISTRICT OF OREGON  
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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, STATE  
OF ARIZONA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, STATE OF  
ILLINOIS, STATE OF MARYLAND, STATE  
OF NEVADA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO,  
STATE OF OREGON, and STATE OF  
WYOMING,

Plaintiffs,

v.

THE KROGER COMPANY and  
ALBERTSONS COMPANIES, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No.: 3:24-cv-00347-AN

STIPULATION REGARDING  
COMMENCEMENT OF DISCOVERY

WHEREAS, the parties to the above-captioned proceeding (“the Parties”) have not yet conferred pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f); and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that discovery in this matter should commence as of the date of this Stipulation Regarding Commencement of Discovery.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(d)(1), the parties hereby stipulate as follows:

Any party may seek discovery from any source, including but not limited to third parties who have not appeared in this matter, as of March 20, 2024.

STIPULATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

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